Sheep Interest.

Improvement of American Merinos.

Memory needs to go back but a few years to find the prophets who product in every market, and rival solemnly shook their heads as they their recognized excellencies on every forefold the inevitable disaster impending over the flocks of those men who persisted in employing "little, greasy Merino rams" for advancing the standard of fleece in quality and weight. Not only was the percentage of cleansed wool to be diminished, in the opinion of these men, but the vigor of flocks was to be impaired, the size of unimals reduced, and actual improvement in all essential respects greatly retarded, even when the damage was not irreparable.

But the sequel has failed to confirm the prophecy. Not only can exceptime of greater excellence in all the essentials which, in the popular mind, go to make up the perfect wool-producing sheep, but it is a fast too M patent for controversy, that the flock standard of the whole country is today largely in advance of what it was fifteen or twenty years ago. The careful student and impartial historian must accord to the Merino much of credit for this improvement. The increase in the average weight of fleeces during the last decade, shown grams, M. F. Brown, Middlebury, to Caswell & Francis, Texas, Francis, M. F. Brown, Middlebury, to Caswell & Francis, Texas, Francis, F by official returns to be more than forty per cent-though not entirely so, is very largely the result of the quite general infusion of Merino blood through the wool-bearing flocks which has taken place within that period. Something is to go to the credit of greater care, in attending to thrift of animals, and the increased size resulting from better food and manipulation; but after all this has been amply accounted for, there remains much to be placed to the credit of the density and

would force Merino breeders to the most careful investigation into the line of breeding through which their choice animals were traceable. To this was to be added a rigid exclusion of all animals of impaired constitutional vig 7; and even the slightest deviation from a recognized high standard of individual excellence rendered animals inadmissible to the pens of the best breeders. In so far as criticisms operated to check the tendency of certain enthusisats to produce abnormal results in weights of unwashed fleeces, at the sacrifice of other de-irable characteristics—even though the critics were insulted by some other metits—there were insulted by some other metits—there is the careful of the content o istics-even though the critics were inspired by some other motive-they were not without good results. This land of limitless domain and unparalworthy to be the home of a type of sheep combining excellent bodies with superior fleeces—and men who, though unable or unwilling to directly aid in advancing the standard already attained, by carping at defects they could not or would not themselves alleviate, became of service, in so far as they impelled others to a more rigid scrutiny into the mysteries of breeding for improvement, and the result was that provement, and the result was that many men became at least partial masters of a science of which they previ-ously had but limited knowledge. They found that the transmission of fleece excellences, to be of permanent benefit through succeeding generations of progeny, must be backed by all the prepotency that adheres to the highest attainable physical and constitutional vigor. The men, who in years gone by, foresaw the high standard now rearhed, and succeeded so magnificently in their effects to uttain it, sought no excellences of expering that came at the expense of size or symmetry of carcass; and those of today who would achieve still higher possibilities in the line of improvement intist "tread the same paths that their fathers have troit," if they would meet with corresponding success. So much has already been done to relieve certain of the heavier shearing specimens of Merinos from the criticisms to which many prominent shearers were liable a dezen years ago, that the standard specimens of the present seem to have so narrowed the limits of possible improvement as to discourage all but men possessed of exceptional courage and skill in breeding and flock management. These still see room beyond, and are determined to occupy it. That size and symmetry of carcass must be kept apace with fleece improvement is no longer a question with these men, and that the tryoical American Merino. They found that the transmission of no longer a question with these men, and that the typical American Merino of the future is to be an animal in which flesh production is to combine with wool production in securing the maximum profits from flock manage-ment, can be disputed only by those who, though having eyes, will not see what is so plainly written all about them that he who runs may read.

The precocity that has been infused into the American merino not only brings the matured animal into market at an age a year short of that required for perfecting its ancestry of a tew generations back, but it shows a careass that finds willing buyers in every market, and ready consumers in many a household once the seat of prejudice against Merino meat, that was not deemed worthy the title of mutton. These facts are pregnant with suggestion to those breeders of Merinos who propose "to keep up with the times" in supplying animals demanded for flock improvement in sections hitnerto devoted to exclusive wool production. This demand promises to be for Merinos that will make good mutton, in fair-sized and well-lined carcasses, without any diminution in merits of fleece. There seems nothing unreasonable in such demand, and there are believed to be no impediments in the way of fully supplying it that careful breeding and skill-ful management will not in good time.

Anour Fools,—it is said that the biggest fools of the day are those who are fools and who pays hundreds or dollars on account of sickness in the family every year, when by keping a box of Swayne's Pills in the house, ready for use, no other mendione would be properly desirable in a purifying and straughful management will not in good time.

surmount. The Gazette has faith in the improvement and popularity of Merino unition, and welcomes the day when the last vestige of prejudice is removed—not to displace a pound of flesh produced by any of the other types of sheep, but to supplement their

Sales of Registered Sheep.

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W Firs to W C Startevant, I ewe from flock of A Farnsworth.

F A Myrick, Bridport, to D Thompson, Bridport, I ewes from flock of G N Payne and I ram from flock of B J Myrick, Ito James DeLong, Cortwall, I rams from his own flock, I it an that of Loia B Hall, I from that of C Grandey, I from that of Loia B Hall, I from that of C Grandey, I from that of Win Grandey and I from that of T J Myrick; to D Grosvenor, Bridport, I rams; to Charles Parish, Bridport, I from:

II J Adams, West Haven, to W II Green, Fair Haven, 7 sheep from flock of G D Bush, to A M Smith, Showelp a, 16 sheep.

U D Twitchell, Maintelury, to I b. Kells, 10 ewes from flock of J Hinds, I from his own flock and I from that of F E Woodbroige; to Win Parsons, Mc, I cave from flock of D Blackmer.

A F Thornton to U D Twitchell, 6 ewes from flock of B Fish.

T F & G D McConnell to E B Clark, Alexandria, Dak, B rams; to N Sterrells, Indian Gap, Texas, I rams; to Charles Miller, I min; to Mark Olin, Rochester, Minn., I ram from flock.

A C Prebio, West Bridport, to Dr. C K Pren

A C Prebie, West Bridport, to Dr. C K Pren-ss, Bridport, 8 rams; to & L Heustis, Bridport,

2 ewes.

JF Randall to JW Hull, Mich., to ewes from his own flock, 6 from that of W H DeLong, and 2 from that of D A Gale and 1 ram from his own ork. Brown, Middlebury, to Caswell &

2 rams, L. W. Spanlding, Jr., Middlebury, to I. M. Bingham, O., 3 ewest to Kirley Severance, 1 ram from flock of S I Spanlding and 3 from his own flock,

flock.

John D Wagner, Mt. Blanchard, O., to D M Dreisbach, Mt. Blanchard, 5 ewes from flock of W J Emmons and 2 tams from his own flock, to R B Reese, Williamstown, O., I ram.

G H Hall, Sherelam, to T M Wilson, H ewes, Wm Ball, Bambargh, Mich., to Will N Adams, I ewe.

C N Alward, Palaskala, O., to E Dorsey, Granville, O., I ram.

G G Binton to Jesse Eherman, Salem, N. V., 7 rams.

Boots & Plank, Ashland, O., to Levi Plank Ashland, I ram; to Joseph Wiley, Ashland, ram; to H. W. Hammond, Middlebury, VL,

placed to the credit of the density and vigorous growth of fleece, inseparable from the 'wrinkles and grease' of those better types of Merinos which intelligent and far-seeing men have persistently adhered to in spite of the sneers and predictions of failure from those who held opposite opinions.

But these crities were not without their value. The impartial historian must accord to the men who opposed the breeding of Merinos, in the type then and now most popular, some credit for the present excellence of these animals. There was a necessity, fifteen years ago, for such criticism as would force Merino breeders to the most careful investigation into the line.

Askiland, fram; to Joseph Wiley, Ashiand, fram; to H W Hammond, Misdlebury, VL, s ram; to H W Hammond, Misdlebury, VL, s rams; to H w Leaf ty ham here in Hammond, Misdlebury, VL, s rams; to H w Leaf ty ham here in Hammond, Misdlebury, VL, s rams; to Hw Leaf ty ham here in Hammond, Misdlebury, VL, s rams; to Hw

In Praise of Middlebury.

Editor of the Middlebury Register: leicd productiveness then, as now, are pleased to say, on leaving your worthy to be the home of a type of town, what we have never been able to

Obitnary.

HIRAM WALKER. The Pulaski (N. Y.) Democrat of

recent date contains the following:

WILLIAM W. FORBES. Died-In Middlebary, May 5, Mr. William W. Forbes, aged 68 years, 4 months and 25 days.

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Till that happy time shall come,
When we shall pass through the entrance
As we safely hand at home.
Three long years he's had to suffer
In this world of grief and pain,
With a hard and paintul caneer;
He will not suffer here again.

Peacefully be bore his sorrow, Saying it would soon be o'er, When he'd see a happy morrow Where Mr would not suffer more.

Warre m would not suffer more.
A fullfill, kind and loving busband,
For forty-five long years or more,
And always kind to his children,
Made home happy on this shore.
We cannot think we've lost our father,
That he has gone so very far;
For we'll feel and know his presence,
And he'll be our guiding star.

For we know the past is old And the future forever new. The soul of man outlives its dust As the morning outlives the dew.

Then we think of God, our Maker, Who gives us thoughts so pure and wise, That when death shall claim the body The spirit never, never dies,

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If you are Bilions.
When you are Constiputed,
If your Skin is Sallow.
If your Skin is Sallow.
If your have no Energy.
When you have Bud Breath.
When you feel Dizzy.
If your Side Pains you.
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If your Blood needs Purifying.
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